

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chair Taylor Brown, on January 16, 2015 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Taylor Brown, Chair (R)
Sen. Mark Blasdel, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Jill Cohenour (D)
Sen. Tom Facey (D) (arrived after roll call)
Sen. Kris Hansen (R)
Sen. Llew Jones (R)
Sen. Mary Sheehy Moe (D)
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy (D) (arrived after roll call)

Members Excused:

Sen. Bob Keenan (R)
Sen. Elsie Arntzen (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Angie Koehler, Committee Secretary
Padraic McCracken, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 141, 1/14/2015

Executive Action: SB 29 - Do Pass As Amended
SB 106 - Tabled

HEARING ON SB 141

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:11 Sen. Llew Jones (R), SD 9, opened the hearing on SB 141, Repeal termination of reemployment provision for certain retired TRS members.

EXHIBIT(eds10a01)

00:03:19 Sen. Facey entered the hearing.

00:03:30 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy entered the hearing.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:38 Steve Meloy, Montana School Board Association (MTSBA) and Montana Rural Education Association (MREA)

00:04:35 Kirk Miller, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)

00:06:42 Eric Feaver, Montana Education Association (MEA-MFT)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:07:53 Shawn Graham, executive director, Montana Teachers' Retirement System (TRS)

EXHIBIT(eds10a02)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:09:21 Sen. Facey

00:09:28 Mr. Graham, TRS

00:10:18 Sen. Facey

00:10:26 Mr. Graham

00:10:40 Sen. Facey

00:10:47 Sen. Cohenour

00:11:22 Mr. Graham

Closing by Sponsor:

00:11:58 Sen. Jones

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 29

00:13:26 **Motion:** Sen. Facey moved that **SB 29 DO PASS.**

00:14:03 **Motion:** Sen. Moe moved that **SB 29 BE AMENDED.**

EXHIBIT(eds10a03)

Discussion:

00:14:22 Sen. Moe
00:15:17 Chairman Brown
00:15:26 Sen. Cohenour
00:15:28 Chairman Brown

00:15:51 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Arntzen and Sen. Keenan voted by proxy.

00:15:55 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Facey moved that **SB 29 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 10-0 by voice vote. Sen. Arntzen and Sen. Keenan voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 106

00:17:32 **Motion:** Sen. Facey moved that **SB 106 DO PASS**.

00:17:42 **Substitute Motion:** Sen. Cohenour moved that **SB 106 BE TABLED**.

Discussion:

00:17:49 Sen. Hansen
00:17:51 Chairman Brown

00:18:08 Sen. Cohenour withdrew the BE TABLED motion.

00:18:22 Sen. Hansen
00:18:37 Sen. Stewart-Peregoy
00:21:10 Chairman Brown

EXHIBIT(eds10a04)

00:21:31 Sen. Facey
00:22:38 Sen. Cohenour

00:23:00 **Vote:** Motion failed 2-8 by roll call vote with Sen. Hansen and Sen. Jones voting aye. Sen. Arntzen and Sen. Keenan voted by proxy.

00:24:06 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Jones moved that **SB 106 BE TABLED AND THE VOTE REVERSED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Arntzen and Sen. Keenan were excused.

Committee Business:

00:24:16 Chairman Brown
00:24:19 Sen. Hansen
00:24:26 Chairman Brown

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:25 PM

Angie Koehler, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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